

COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

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By ECF

cc:

The Honorable Jack B. Weinstein United States District Court Eastern District of New York 225 Cadman Plaza East New York, New York 11201

Re: Commodity Futures Trading Commission v. Patrick K. McDonnell and CabbageTech, Corp. d/b/a Coin Drop Markets, No. 18-CV-00361 (JBW)(RLM)

Dear Judge Weinstein:

I am a Senior Trial Attorney in the Division of Enforcement (the "Division") of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission (the "Commission") and represent the Commission in the captioned matter. The Court has scheduled an evidentiary hearing for a permanent injunction and other relief on July 9, 2018, at 10:30 A.M. See ECF 71. Pursuant to Court's Order dated March 8, 2018, see ECF 33, the Division expects to call multiple witnesses to testify in person at the hearing. *Id.* ("The CFTC shall proceed, pursuant to the Federal Rules of Evidence, with sworn witnesses who shall be present or provided through depositions or video testimony."). At least one out-of-state witness, however, is unable to testify in person but is available to testify by video. I write respectfully to formally request that the Court permit, as previously stated in the March 8 Order, video testimony in open court by contemporaneous transmission from a different location pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 43(a).

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Gates S. Hurand

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Patrick K. McDonnell (by ECF and electronic mail)